

She will be remembered as a superb comic actress.

MADGE SINCLAIR

Madge Sinclair showed how irrelevant color can be when she provided the voice for Queen Sarabi, the mate of King Mufasa, in the much heralded animated film "The Lion King." Ms. Sinclair was the recipient of five Emmy nominations and won an Emmy in 1991.

These African-American actresses were among the pioneers who broke through barriers for today's stars. Years after Butterfly McQueen's debut in "Gone With the Wind," it remains a daunting challenge for African-American actresses to find roles today. We honor them here today as great American artists just as they have honored and graced their craft as well as our country. We hope that paying tribute to them we will encourage the American entertainment industry to live up to its potential for artistry and fairness by welcoming a greater number of black actresses to reach their potential.

FORT VANCOUVER NATIONAL HISTORIC RESERVE, H.R. 1296, OMNIBUS PARKS AND PUBLIC LANDS ACT

HON. LINDA SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, September 28, 1996

Mrs. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this legislation. This bill creates the Fort Vancouver National Historic Reserve in Vancouver, WA, which will span the layered history of the Hudson's Bay Trading Company to Pearson Airpark.

The new Fort Vancouver National Historic Reserve will be a collaborative effort among public entities that will turn Vancouver into a major historical and tourist destination. Some have likened the Fort Vancouver Historic Reserve to phenomenal tourist sites like colonial Williamsburg or St. Louis' steel gateway arch that commemorates westward pioneers.

These are appropriate comparisons because the historical significance of the Vancouver area cannot be overstated. It is extremely important that people understand pioneer history at Fort Vancouver, the magnificent achievements in aviation at Pearson Airpark and the military significance of Officers Row and the Vancouver Barracks.

The Reserve concept will give Vancouver's One Place Across Time campaign the resources and coordination they need to showcase these historical attractions. While countless people have worked tirelessly over the years to bring this project to fruition, none have worked harder than Vancouver's former Mayor, Bruce Hagensen. He should be commended for his vision and most of all, his persistence.

This bill has had quite a tumultuous ride in the past few days. For some reason, the White House objected to this bill yesterday even after they had testified in favor of it before the Resources Committee. I am hopeful that the White House will not play politics on a bill that has been bipartisan since its inception, starting with my predecessor Jolene Unsoeld.

I urge my colleagues to not only support this legislation, but to come and visit the wonderful

historic opportunities at the Fort Vancouver National Historic Reserve.

THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA'S 85TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MATT SALMON

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, September 28, 1996

Mr. SALMON. Mr. Speaker, I extend my best wishes and greetings to the Republic of China on Taiwan on the occasion of its 85th anniversary on October 10, 1996.

Under President Lee Teng-hui and Vice President Lien Chan's leadership, the Republic of China continues its excellent record of economic growth and its historic democratization. Since I lived in Taiwan in the 1970's we have seen a different Republic of China emerge. It is now a major trading nation, and its GNP is one of the world's largest. Its growth in per capita income has improved the lives of the people on Taiwan. Also, the rapid democratization and constitutional reforms on Taiwan in recent years have made Taiwan a model for many nations.

I would also like to welcome at this time the Republic of China's Representative Jason Hu to Washington. He will most certainly strengthen the on-going relations between Taipei and Washington. And I would like to congratulate Dr. Lyushun Shen on his promotion and return to Taiwan. His outstanding service on behalf of his government has strengthened our bilateral relationship. I wish him all the best, and I hope he continues to recognize the United States as an ally for peace, prosperity, and stability in Asia.

WEST COAST FISHING INTERESTS OPPOSE S. 39

HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, September 28, 1996

Mr. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, yesterday the House passed S. 39, "The Sustainable Fisheries Act," and sent that measure to the President. I regret that this important fishery management bill was significantly altered, and weakened, by the Senate during a year of consideration, and that the House was denied any opportunity to improve on that version of the legislation.

H.R. 39 as passed by the House last year was a much stronger bill for the fish and the fishermen. While I realize that S. 39 does include important conservation measures, these measures could have been stronger. They should have provided more protection for the fish stocks, the fishing communities, and for the taxpayers.

The inferior version finally passed by the Senate contained many provisions that are unacceptable to the West Coast fishing industry, including commercial fishermen and processors. And it contains several provisions that were particularly unacceptable, such as authorizing the Secretary to buy back fishing permits (that were granted for free) in biologically depressed fisheries and allowing violators of International Whaling Commission restrictions to gain access to U.S. territorial waters.

The Senate also deleted provisions of the House bill to assure that smaller communities are fairly represented, and to prohibit the private profiting from the sale of fishing quotas, which could also allow the growing concentration of quotas in the hands of the large-scale industry at the expense of family fishermen.

I am inserting in the Record two letters from fisheries industry groups in California, expressing their opposition to the House acceptance of S. 39 and their desire to see amendments made to the bill before it became law.

Finally, I would just like to thank the fishing families of California for their support. During the past two years, they worked tirelessly with us to ensure that the best Magnuson bill possible was enacted into law. I regret that in the final analysis, the House leadership decided simply to accept the Senate's version that was negotiated with no input from the House. I salute the efforts of those families. In addition, I pledge to work with them in the years ahead to continue to seek the protections that our small fishing families and the fishery resources deserve.

PACIFIC COAST FEDERATION OF FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS, INC.,
Sausalito, CA, September 23, 1996.

Hon. GEORGE MILLER,

Ranking Minority Member, House Committee on Natural Resources, Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC.

Re Reauthorization of the Magnuson Act.

DEAR MR. MILLER: The Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Association (PCFFA), representing working men and women in the west coast commercial fishing fleet, respectfully requests the House reject the effort to force House adoption of the Senate bill, S.39, to reauthorize the Magnuson Act. While PCFFA had encouraged the Senate to take action on Magnuson, after nearly two years of delay, and worked for inclusion of language giving California, Oregon and Washington jurisdiction in federal waters over the Dungeness crab fishery, it was with the understanding that the two bills would be reconciled in conference. We understand now that this may not happen due to the Senate's delay.

PCFFA fully supports the House bill; indeed, the only thing missing from it was the Dungeness crab language. The Senate version, on the other hand, we find seriously flawed and suggest that no bill this session would be better than adopting the measure passed last week by the Senate. There are a number of concerns we have with the Senate version, including:

S. 39 would require any limited access fishery (most of our west coast and Alaska fisheries are under limited entry, including salmon, pink shrimp, herring, groundfish, halibut, blackcod, swordfish/shark, Dungeness crab, sea cucumber, sea urchin and abalone) to register their limited access permit in a line registry and pay a fee every time they transfer it. This provision, slipped in the Senate bill as an apparent favor to Seattle bankers, was not discussed with fishermen here on the west coast and, frankly, does not belong in a statute governing the conservation and management of fish stocks. Just who is the Senate concerned with here, the fish and the fishing fleet, or the bankers?

S. 39 allows the Secretary to impose limited access plans, including ITQs, on any fishery that is not under regional fishery management council jurisdiction. As mentioned, most of our fisheries here on the west coast are under limited access management, mostly under state-developed programs. Moreover, most of the state programs are working well and, in the case of California,